MODOC NATIONAL FOREST

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Recreation Report

September 23, 2014

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY: The public is invited to get outdoors, explore and celebrate the **21**st **Annual National Public Lands Day** on the Modoc National Forest, Saturday Sept. 27, 2014.

For camping enthusiasts, Sept. 27 will be a fee-free day in the following campgrounds and recreation facilities. Campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-serve basis:

- All Campgrounds in the Medicine Lake Recreation Area, Doublehead Ranger District;
- Willow Creek Campground, Big Valley Ranger District;
- Howard's Gulch Campground, Devil's Garden Ranger District;
- Soup Springs, Mill Creek and Blue Lake Campgrounds on the Warner Mountain Ranger District

CAMPING: The dock at Medicine Lake was pulled out of the water last week due to the drop in the lake water level. There is no water at Headquarters Campground at the Medicine Lake area. Boil water advisories are posted at Patterson Campground, Stough Reservoir and Cave Lake Campground. Weather permitting; the water at the campgrounds will remain on until the end of October.

FIRE: Fire restrictions remain in effect across the forest which means no campfires are allowed except in the South Warner Wilderness with a valid permit and in designated recreation sites. The list of recreation sites is posted on the forest website. Always use caution when having campfires. A campfire should not be unattended at any time.

PERMITS: Permits can be purchased now through the end of November for Matsutake mushroom gathering in the Medicine Lake Highlands region.

HUNTING SEASONS: When out in the woods, wear bright reflective colors.

General Deer Oct 4 – Oct 19 General Elk Sept 17 – Sept 28

WOODCUTTING: All areas are open for wood cutting. For further information please check the woodcutting recording at 530-233-8819.

SOUTH WARNER WILDERNESS: Maintained trails include Emerson Loop, Pine Creek, Mill Creek Falls, Clear Lake Loop, Slide Creek, Poison Flat, Mill Creek, Summit Trail from Pepperdine to Patterson Lake, Summit Trail from Patterson Guard Station to the Poison Flat Trail junction and Bear Camp Flat Trail from the Emerson trailhead.

The Owl Creek Trail has numerous downed trees in the Raider Basin and debris covering the trail in dry washes in High Rock Basin. Route finding is required south of Lindeman Lake. It is not recommended for pack stock use at this time. East Creek Trail is not recommended for travel due to snag hazards.

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Campground by Area	Fee	Spaces	Drinking Water	Toilet	Access	Fishing	Boating	Hiking	Horses	Open/Close
Medicine Lake Area										
A.H. Hogue	\$14.00 / vehicle	24	Yes	Yes &	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Headquarters	Free	16	No	Yes	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Hemlock	\$14.00 / vehicle	22	Yes	Yes &	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Medicine	\$14.00 / vehicle	22	Yes	Yes &	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Medicine Lake Highlands										
Blanche Lake	Free	DD	No	No	Dirt	No	No	Yes	No	Open
Bullseye Lake	Free	DD	No	Yes	Dirt	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Payne Springs	Free	6	No	Yes	Gravel	No	No	Yes	No	Open
South Warner Mtn. Area										
Blue Lake	\$14.00 / site	46	Yes	Yes*	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Blue Lake Group Site	\$42.00 \$56.00/4+	3 4+	Yes	Yes*	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Patterson	Free	15	Yes Boil H2O	Yes	Gravel	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open
Emerson	Free	4	No	Yes*	Rough Dirt	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open
Pepperdine	Free	5	Yes	Yes*	Gravel	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open
Mill Creek Falls	\$12.00 / site	19	Yes	Yes*	Paved	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Soup Springs	\$12.00 / site	8	Yes	Yes*	Gravel	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open
East Creek	Free	10	Yes	Yes	Gravel	No	No	Yes	Yes	Open

North Warner Mtn.										
Cave Lake	Free	6	Yes Boil H2O	Yes*	Rough Dirt	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Open
Stough Reservoir	Free	14	Yes Boil H2O	Yes*	Gravel	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open
Lassen Creek	Free	DD	No	Yes	Gravel	Yes	No	Yes	No	Open
Devil's Garden Area										
Big Sage	Free	6	No	Yes *	Gravel	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Open
Howard's Gulch	\$12.00 / site	11	Yes	Yes*	Paved	No	No	Yes	No	Open
Jane's Reservoir	Free	DD	No	Yes *	Gravel	Yes	Yes	No	No	Open
Reservoir C	Free	DD	No	Yes	Gravel	Yes	Yes	No	No	Open
Reservoir F	Free	DD	No	Yes*	Gravel	Yes	Yes	No	No	Open
Big Valley Area										
Ash Creek	Free	DD	Yes	Yes	Gravel	Yes	No	No	No	Open
Lower Rush Creek	Free	10	No	Yes	Gravel	No	No	No	No	
Upper Rush Creek	Free	13	No	Yes	Gravel	Yes	No	No	No	Open
Willow Creek	\$12.00 / site	8	Yes	Yes	Paved	No	No	No	No	Open

*Accessible with assistance DD: Dispersed Development

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